

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary just days before the election is yet another example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But their conduct shows contempt for the public interest and democracy.

Sinclair's latest actions demonstrate clearly why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to be more vigorous and require much more of the license holder than a returned postcard.

Thank you.